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Waiting list phased out

By Audrey Miller

August 18, 1982. Conestoga College of Applied Arts and Technology makes history.

On the 18th of August, 1982 Betty D. Schiedel, college registrar had to contact every program chairman requesting an extension on the number of students allowed admission into the various programs.

In 1979-80, 96.9% of the graduates of Conestoga College found study related jobs. 1980-81, 97.3%, 1981-82, 97.5% and the Provincial College average for 1981-82 was 92.21%.

This, to Schiedel, is the reason why an extension of the number of admittances was requested. Schiedel says this is a first in the history of the college to have full admission.

By extending the admission level, allowing more students into the programs, Schiedel hopes to abolish the waiting lists and establish a capacity figure. The capacity figure is the number of students allowed admission in their first year. Schiedel went on to say that there have also been fewer applicants who have changed their minds about attending the college once their admission was granted.

When asked why so many more students applied to Conestoga this year than did in the past, Schiedel gave two reasons. "Students apply to Conestoga firstly because they have an interest in one of the programs offered. Secondly due to the fact that the placement statistics are excellent, a fact that cannot be ignored!"

Lounging Around

Who said school was all work and no play? Here at Conestoga we have the best of both worlds. Last year Conestoga spent approximately \$16,000 for renovations on the student lounge to make it the best lounge that this college has had to date.

The lounge which is located inside door #3, next to the Doon Student Association Office (DSA) is a place where the students of this campus can sit and enjoy the new sound system, a game of pool or see if they're man enough to defeat pac Man. Included amongst all of this are seven vending machines to provide refreshments for the students while they "play".

The student lounge is a very essential part of Doon campus in that during the course of a tough schedule the students are provided with facilities in which they can relax and give their weary minds a chance to recuperate.

Interested in meeting new friends? The answer to this question can also be solved in the student lounge. Here, all the pressures of the day can be forgotten and the pleasures can preside.

So come on, come all and make college life a time to remember. Visit the lounge and join the crowd.



Passing it on down the line at the trust fall.

Vice-presidency up for grabs

By Reg Watson

Doon Student Association Vice-President Meg Edelman tendered her resignation over the summer holidays forcing an election to fill the vacant position to be held during the week of Sept. 27 to Oct. 1.

The exact election time is to be announced later.

Edelman, who completed the first year of the Social Services program at Conestoga last year, resigned in July in order to attend the University of Waterloo this month for studies leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in English and a minor in Psychology.

Born in Providence, Rhode Island, 31-year-old Edelman had previously studied at the University of Waterloo prior to coming to Conestoga last year.

Edelman won the March 29-30 vice-presidential balloting by edging last year's pub manager, Dave Hucalek, 241 votes to 228.

Hucalek, who has yet to be accepted at the college for this school year, has not announced whether he intends to run again for the vice-presidency.

Nominations are now being accepted for the election. Nomination forms are available from the DSA's cafeteria or student lounge offices and will be accepted until Sept. 21.

The Doon Student Association decided to hold an election to replace Edelman in order "to make it fair for first-year students," according to DSA President Randy Hutchings. First-year students will have their

first chance ever to decide the vice-presidency as a result of the resignation while those graduating students from last year who were able to vote for the position last March will not get a say this time around.

Hutchings says he would like to see as many candidates as possible run for the position. Last year, students only had a choice between Edelman and Hucalek.

"I'd like to encourage as many first and second-year students as possible to run," Hutchings told Spoke, because this would add more continuity to the DSA. A first or second-year vice president could then return in the next school year and contribute to the DSA in that year.

The vice president has broad responsibilities on the DSA. The vice president is involved with almost every DSA activity, represents the college and the DSA at all times, takes over from the president when he is unable to meet his obligations and, ironically, is in charge of the Board of Directors and the March presidential and vice-presidential elections.

Hutchings said Edelman's resignation will not have any effect on DSA plans and activities except that "it will mean more work for the rest of the DSA."

Campaigning for the election will begin after the nominations close and will include speeches in the cafeteria by the candidates.

Students mix at orientation

By Debra Denomy

The bewildered students stood in groups. Apprehensively, each person placed their right hand between their legs and grabbed the left wrist of the person behind them, maintaining grasped hands. Then the last person in each group laid on the floor. The rest of the group proceeded to move backwards until all the group members wound up lying one behind the other.

Sounds crazy? This was the scene in the Conestoga Centre gymnasium as part of the Spirit Day games, an annual event in the orientation of new first-year students at Conestoga's Doon campus. About 583 Technology and Health Sciences students participated Aug. 30 while 524 Business and Applied Arts students took part Sept. 1.

Orientation events kicked off early in the morning at the Conestoga Centre where the students met to watch a slide presentation about the facilities offered at Conestoga College. They were then taken on a tour of the school by faculty members, greeted by Doon Student Association President Randy Hutchings in the student lounge, then returned to the centre to begin the Fun Week games.

According to Duane Shadd, Athletic Officer at the college, the purpose behind the games is to introduce new students to one another as well as to familiarize them with the college's athletic facilities.

"When people are made to do something silly and everyone is doing something silly, it tends to break down the wall around individuals," said Shadd.

And it worked. Judy Greenwood-Spears, a 25-year-old nursing student, declared, "I had a great time. You get to know a lot of people through teamwork and comradery."

At the centre, the students were broken up into small groups of eight to 10 people to play various name games. In one, called the Alliteration game, students were asked to come up with an adjective for themselves that began with the first letter of their first name. When all group members had done so, each member had to repeat their own name alliteration as well as one other group member's name. The purpose of the name games was to get the group members to remember each other's names easily.

After these introductory games, the students moved outside to play the on-site games stationed around the Doon campus grounds.

"I will tell you tomorrow, when I feel the bruises, what I think of the Prison Escape game!" said Diane Lichti who, ironically, is a nursing student. The object of the Prison Escape game was to transport the entire group over an imaginary five-foot prison electric fence (it was actually a yellow rope!) in a

limited time period. Other than their own ingenuity, the groups had only an eight-foot log to aid their "escape".

The fun continued with a game called Do-Do-Do. In a defined area divided by a centre line, two teams attempted to cross the centre line and tag as many other members of the other team as possible while repeating "do, do, do." If a student was caught by the opposing team, he/she had to join their side. The game continued until all players were gone from one side.

The groups also played various games with the earth ball, a six-foot inflatable rubber ball. This was the scene where most students got trampled and dirty, but still managed to enjoy themselves.

On the edge of Lake Hazel, in front of the main building, students played a game which involved filling a barrel with water. Not as easy as it sounds! This game was complicated by the fact that the barrels were ridden with holes.

Maryanne Cheeseman, one of the site leaders at this event, said, "Everybody is having a good time and getting wet!" As Frank Goth, a computer student, left carrying his soggy runners, no shirt and wet pants, he remarked, "it was stupid but we won."

The Octopus game was similar to freeze tag. One person was appointed "it" and both groups had to try to run past the person. Students caught by the "octopus" had to remain frozen until there were no remaining players.

He says the most important Spirit Day games were the trust games. According to Shadd. They were especially included in orientation to build a common trust among the groups." In one such trust game, group members formed a very close circle while one member went into the middle and remained as stiff as possible. Eyes closed, this member fell in any direction. The other members caught him/her and passed him around the circle.

All groups returned to the Conestoga Centre in late afternoon to play more games directed by Shadd. Among them was the Touch game in which Shadd asked everyone to touch someone wearing orange or no socks or to touch pinky to knee or foot to finger.

Students had a chance to renew new and old acquaintances at the 4 p.m. barbecue and pub. Students purchased 75-cent hamburgers cooked by faculty members and danced to music provided by disc jockey Richard Gestmeier of Disc Jockey Associates.

Response to orientation was summed up positively by mechanical engineering student Brian Schultz. "It was a good day overall, I met a lot of people, the events were well-organized, and it helped to break the ice."

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Sales tax hinders students

On June 14, Ontario's new sales tax regulations went into effect. For students, already plagued by soaring unemployment, this means a further drain on personal resources.

It seems contradictory to attempt to aid post-secondary students through OSAP yet slap a sales tax on essential items such as residence, cafeteria food and school supplies.

The Ontario government has also shown little regard for students by cutting back its budget for Experience '82. This resulted in the elimination of 1500 jobs. To add salt to the already aching wound the provincial government hit students with a 12.2% tuition increase and increased expected summer saving for OSAP recipients by \$10 per week.

The current figure of 72,000 unemployed students in Ontario represents an increase of 20% over the same period last year. Students unable to find work will obviously have a great deal of difficulty paying for their education next fall. High student unemployment comes at a time when education and living costs for the average student in Ontario this year will increase by \$700.

The government is handing students both higher costs and inadequate employment opportunities. To put the icing on the cake the Toronto-Dominion Bank placed a ceiling on funding for student loans. They are trying to restrict their student loans to a 10% growth rate despite a provincial increase of 25%.

Not to be out-done, the Bank of Montreal announced restrictions on the processing of student loan applications. Also, the Canadian Bankers' Association is hoping to base the interest rate for students loans on the highly unstable prime interest rate. Student loans are currently based on a six-month average of the Canada Savings Bond.

Student aid affects nearly one student in three in Ontario. Its unfortunate that the banks have to follow the governments' poor example and turn their backs on the future of Canada-students.

Hands Off!

This year Conestoga's Doon Campus will have a number of sightless students within its corridors. Each student is accompanied by a seeing-eye dog who is directly responsible to his owner for guidance and safety.

The relationship of the seeing-eye dog to its owner cannot be stressed enough. Spoke has been asked to inform students of the importance of refraining from petting, name-calling, teasing, harassing, kicking, caressing, touching or any other form of contact with these dogs, since any source of distraction could cause these seeing-eye dogs to lose their concentration and therein their responsibilities to their owners.

These seeing-eye dogs have been trained to perform specific duties for their owners and are a valuable part of the sightless student's survival. It is up to the students of this college to recognize that value by letting these educated dogs do their share of the homework.

Mechanical students get their just rewards

By Katherine Wallace

Twelve mechanical students at Conestoga College were honored for their achievements at the annual Mechanical Graduation Awards Banquet on May 3. The event was sponsored by the Mechanical Club of Conestoga College and was held at the Laurel Room of the University of Waterloo.

The Butler Metal Products Co. Ltd. of Cambridge presented awards to nine students for their part in connection with the Conestoga-Butler Project. The project is an integral part of the Mechanics of Materials course at the Doon campus of the College.

Fabian Farkas of Ariss, Dave Mantynen of Kitchener and Doug Watson of Fergus each received \$100 for the best manufacturing analysis report on materials used to manufacture heat-exchange units.

Andy Boegal of Waterloo, Ken Luelo of Kitchener and Jim Sinclair of Waterloo received \$50 for the second-best manufacturing analysis report on material used in heat exchangers.

Gord Burella, Randy Watson and John Willsie, all of Kitchener, each received \$50 for the best oral presentation of material analysis. The presentation dealt with the analysis of steel materials which had been cracking and breaking during the production process.

The presentations honoring the mechanical students were made by Pat Gagnon who is the personnel manager at the Butler Metal Company.

Proficiency awards were presented by the faculty in recognition of the academic excellence, marked academic improvement during the year, and demonstrated qualities of leadership and co-operation.

Ruth Ann Moore of Elmira was winner of the Year I award. Fabian Farkas was the recipient of the Year II award while Mike Bieber of Waterloo walked off with the \$100 award for proficiency from the Society of Manufacturing Engineers for Year III.

The Lloyd Andrews Memorial Bursary was presented for the first time. The \$150 award was given to the first-year student who best exemplifies the achievements and personal qualities of the late Lloyd Andrews who was a student in the Mechanical Engineering Technology program.

The first-time winner was George Pagoulatus of Kitchener, a first-year Mechanical Engineering Technology student.

Letters

By Katherine Wallace

I am sure that many of the college's new students have many questions about college. While these questions may be answered by second-year students or teachers, there remains the chance that a few will be left unanswered.

For this reason, it is the policy of this newspaper to publish any comments that might be of interest to the students of this newspaper, provided that these comments are signed and well-meaning.

The editors of Spoke encourage feedback and will be delighted to hear from students.

President's Message



DSA President-Randy Hutchings

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to Conestoga College for this academic year of 1982-83. I'm sure this year will be a totally new experience for both new students and returning students.

The Doon Student Association (DSA) is a separate incorporated body in which all full-time students have paid fees into. As a result of paying activity fees, you are members or shareholders of the DSA.

The DSA's purpose is to make college life as pleasant and enjoyable for you both academically and non-academically. Remember if you feel good within yourself, things around you fall into place more effectively.

The DSA is run by an Executive plus a Board of Directors. The Executive is already in place for this year, and they are:

Janelle Zettel, Activities Co-ordinator, Rob Ariss, Treasurer, Janet Amos, Assistant Treasurer, Shelley Nisson, Secretary, Jamie Wallace, Entertainment Co-ordinator, Jeff Hewson, Pub Manager.

The Board of Directors is made up of one representative from each program in the college. There will be elections for these positions within a few weeks. I encourage you to participate in the student government by offering to represent your particular program.

The DSA runs a wide variety of activities in which students of all walks of life can participate. The most visible activities are the El Condor pubs and our varsity sports teams. (to which we need your support). There are many other activities that you can become involved in. If you have any questions, we (DSA) have offices at the bottom of the stairs in the cafeteria, as well as near door number three, beside the vending machines.

Remember, by becoming involved, you become a part of Conestoga and then you can feel proud of your accomplishments. I hope everybody has a successful and fun filled academic year because I'm behind you a 100 per cent.

Good Luck
 1982-83 DSA President,
 Randy Hutchings

In Your Absence ...

We burned a building

By Patrick Raftis

Day after day throughout the entire month of July a fire was set on Doon Valley Drive, and every day the Kitchener fire department was there to put it out. No, it was not the work of some mad arsonist with a grudge against Conestoga College. The fires were set as part of a co-operative effort between the college and the fire department.

Returning students may have noticed the absence of a red brick cottage on the campus grounds. It was burnt to the ground during the summer to make room for expansion of a planned one-way road system throughout the college.

According to Mac Rostance, Physical Resources Manager of the College, the fire department jumped at the chance to use it for smoke training exercises.

"We're always looking for something like this," said Gerald Straus, Training Director of the Kitchener fire dept.

"We can't use most condemned buildings because they are too close to residential areas."

Rostance says that the city has its own smoke training house but the firemen soon learn every nook and cranny of it. This provided them with the chance for some realistic exercises.

For the training, a 45-gallon drum was filled with straw and set on fire to create smoke. All the windows in the house were boarded up and for a final touch of realism used furniture was installed. Then each fireman in the city, working in groups of two, had to enter the house protected by Scott Air-packs

and find and remove three human-like dummies from the fire.

In addition to saving the cost of demolishing the cottage, the College benefits in other ways.

"Our audio-visual and criminology people are working with the fire department," says Rostance. Films of the training are being made by Conestoga students and these will also be made available to the fire department. Sections of the wall are being studied by the Criminology department. The burn patterns on the walls will aid students in the study of arson.

It seems that students aren't the only ones being educated at Conestoga College these days, as Gerald Straus puts it, "It's a mutual thing, these burnings are extremely beneficial to everyone; the department, the college and the community."



Members of the Kitchener Fire Department participate in smoke training exercises.

Wasn't that a party?

By Chris Jonas

Yes, it looked like the vacationing and in-coming students missed quite a party. However, looks can be deceiving. Although the cases were full, books occupied the space, not Labatt's Blue.

The books and shelves were moved to allow for the placement of new carpeting in the Learning Resource Centre. The centre has not been recarpeted since 1968.

The beer cases were bought from Labatt's for approximately one cent each. The books were less awkward to move when in the cases.

The job creation program of the 1982 provincial budget provided \$15 million for the repairs of school, college, and university buildings.

The program concentrates on labor-intensive projects involving health and fire safety, asbestos removal and clean-up, energy conservation projects and general repairs to buildings.

The make-work program was introduced to help the economy. Conestoga College was allotted \$240,339 and 60 per cent of the grant must pay wages. Conestoga hired 12 students to help move furniture, paint and do general maintenance work.

The grant enabled the College to recarpet the Resource Centre, seven technology classrooms and the level one faculty area, as well as paint the entire exterior of the main building, asphalt the Complex's parking lot, build a sidewalk from the main building to the Complex, repair and re-line all parking lots and repair any faulty brickwork. Also, Conestoga's other campuses have received general repairs because of the grant.

An estimated 3,000 temporary jobs have been created by the Ontario government. All projects undertaken by the \$15 million program will be completed by the end of 1982.



And you thought no beverages were allowed in the Learning Resource Centre!

We put up the dish

By Reg Watson

Third-year students in Conestoga's Electronics Engineering Technology-Telecommunications Option program will be using the college's new satellite receiving station to pick up satellite television signals during the fall semester, according to Hamid Manoochehri, the principle lecturer of telecommunications courses.

Although minor connections still need to be made, the receiving station is now functional following the installation of a four-ton antenna dish onto a tripod support in front of Conestoga's Doon campus July 28.

The satellite receiving station has taken several years of planning and construction to complete but, explained Manoochehri in an interview, the process has been purposely slow to allow more student input into the project and because "you had to go that way or you would end up with too many bits and pieces that you can't do anything with anyway."

Manoochehri first came up with the idea for a receiving station at the college in 1973 as a way of making the program, an

option which is available in Ontario only at Conestoga, more responsive to the needs of the telecommunications industry.

The idea turned from just a "dream" to reality during the 1978-79 school year when Andrews Antenna of Whitby, Ont., agreed to donate the \$25,000 antenna dish to the college. Manoochehri had tried for two years to convince the company to make the donation until they agreed to give the dish on the condition that the college disassemble and transport it from Whitby.

Three more years of planning and construction followed before the erection of the receiving station was completed in July.

Building it required the co-operative efforts of faculty and students, not just in the telecommunications program but in many other Conestoga programs, as well as from private industry.

In addition to providing the antenna dish, Andrews Antenna supplied blueprints for the tripod support. Stelco of Hamilton donated steel parts for it. During its assembly, Schindler Tower of Cambridge provided a rigger

and line truck with boom. Barlow Cartage of Cambridge, owned by Cambridge MPP Bill Barlow, mounted the dish by crane for only a nominal charge. Other companies such as Canadian Timkin of St. Thomas and Babcock and Wilcox of Cambridge came through with other parts.

Telesat Canada, the federal telecommunications authority which has hired 30 telecommunications students from Conestoga in recent years, provided technical advice, loaned equipment and allowed students to test the college station's microwave receiver at their Allen Park, Ont. station.

Students in the Electronics Engineering Technology-Telecommunications Option program, under the supervision of their faculty, produced a feasibility study of the station and designed and built the microwave receiver and sub-systems that demodulate the signals picked up by it.

Instructor Peter Keeping and his Mechanical Engineering Technology students at the Doon



After several years of co-operation between Conestoga students and faculty as well as private industry, the dish antenna has been assembled.

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campus designed screws for the dish which adjusts its position up and down or sideways on its tripod support.

The precession parts of the tripod support were machined by Machine Tool Setter Operator students and faculty members.

Ken Wood, instructor of the Welding Fitter program at the Waterloo campus, supervised the installation of the dish by the Welding Fitter students.

By law, scaffolding platforms used in the construction of the receiving station had to be erected by sanctioned carpenters. Therefore, faculty members and students of the Carpenter General program were brought in from the Guelph campus to supply and build the needed scaffolding.

The faculty and students of the telecommunications program are grateful for the co-operation they have received in the making of their satellite receiving station.

"Dozens and dozens of people worked on it. It is a body of people who have managed to do something unique," said Manoochehri. He says that by taking the time to find donors from industry, the college avoided having to spend money on the project unless it was absolutely necessary. The co-operative effort has allowed a receiving station valued at approximately \$30,000 to be build for less than \$3,500.

"But you cannot put a value on it," said Manoochehri. "Its educational value to the students is priceless."

Conestoga College is unique among Canadian colleges and universities in that it is the only one to have a satellite receiving station that is student-built or student-modified, Manoochehri believes.

Whenever possible, students did the designing and construction of the receiving station.

"The more they do themselves, the better it is for them," explained Manoochehri.

The receiving station will be used to pick up signals from the Canadian Anik series of five satellites. A license from the federal Department of Communications allows the college station to monitor English and French Canadian Broadcasting Corporation television transmissions. In theory, it has the capacity to eavesdrop on telephone communications carried on other channels of the Anik satellites, and by slight adjustments of the antenna's screws, American satellites but says Manoochehri, "we will not be doing it because it is against the law."

The satellite receiving station is an important part of the three-year Electronic Engineering Technology-Telecommunications Option program, provid-

ing the students with practical experience in the telecommunications field. It gives students the opportunity to become familiar with satellite receivers used in the industry and to learn how to align them. Work will not stop on the project since more student-built sub-systems can be added to the receiving station in future years.

Only third-year telecommunications students will be making use of the receiving station because of the technical knowledge required to work with it and even they will need several

months to become familiar with it.

The 50-foot high, nine-ton satellite receiving station stands at the front of Conestoga's Doon campus, visible to travellers passing by on Highway 401 or through the windows of the Doon cafeteria. It is a testimony to the hard work many Conestoga students and teachers who have volunteered toward it over the past few years. It will remain an invaluable part of the Electronics Engineering Technology-Telecommunications Option program.

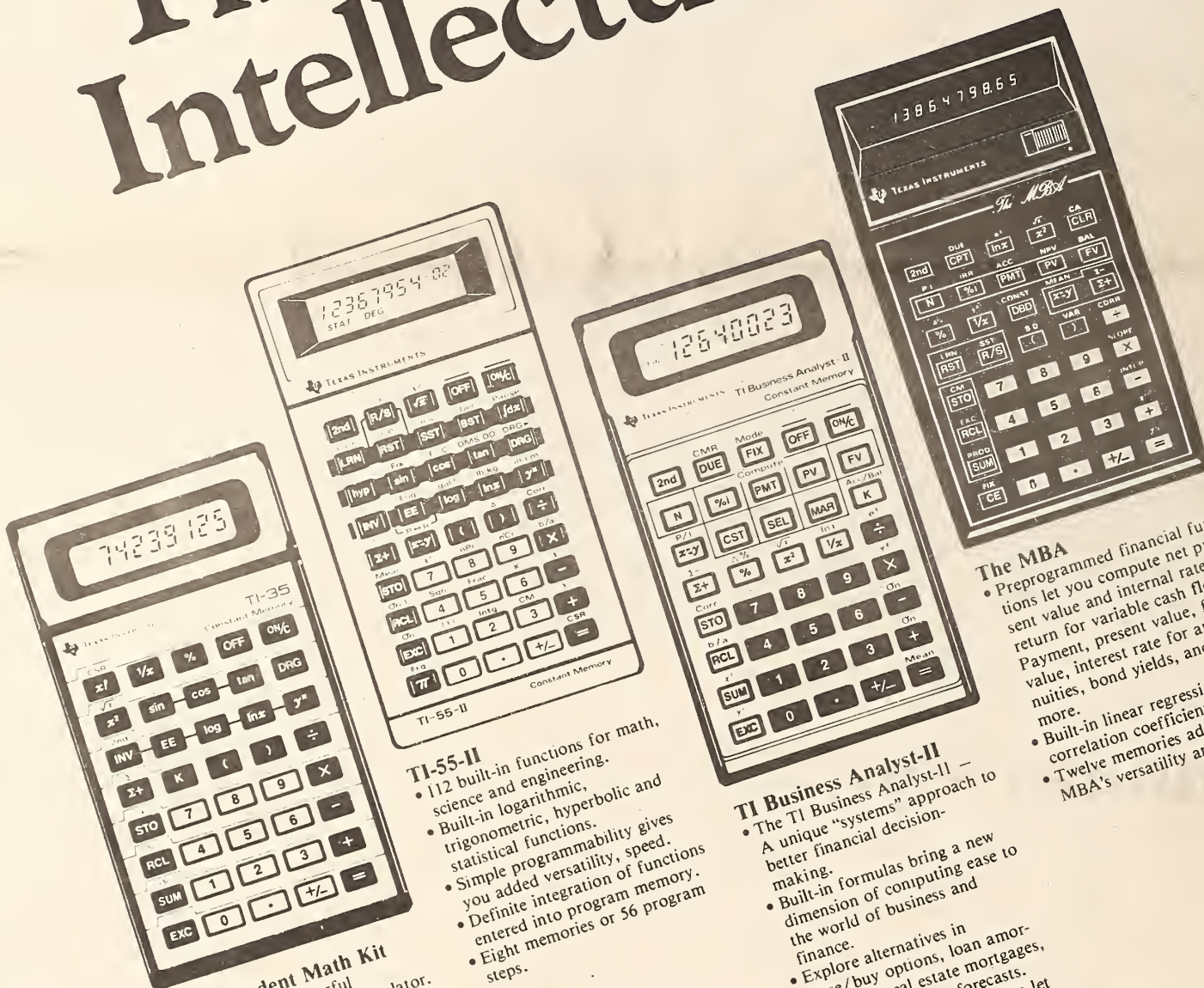
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Looking Back



Conestoga Centre deemed finest in Ontario

Are you athletically inclined? Do you enjoy a good workout or sometimes do you just feel like shooting a couple of baskets to keep active. If so, the Conestoga Centre is the facility that can help you get on to the road of physical fitness.

The \$4.7 million complex was opened on September 5, 1980, and offers you the students of Doon campus, one of the finest modern fitness and sports facilities constructed for the satisfac-

tion of today's athlete.

Probably the most fascinating aspect of the Centre is its stunning architectural design. The reason for its unusual design is that one-third of the building is below ground level.

'Multi-purpose', best describes the function that the Centre serves to the students of Conestoga College, and to the people of the surrounding community.

The Conestoga Centre is well-

equipped with a double gym, a fitness-universal gym, three indoor running surfaces, a fitness evaluation lab, squash courts, saunas, a pro shop and an Olympic size ice surface.

The arena surface located inside the Centre is also a unique aspect of this facility. It is an Olympic ice surface, 200 x 95 feet, one of only three in North America. The gymnasium located beside the arena, offers a floor space of 12,000 feet, and can be used for any sport ranging from basketball to badminton. Two squash courts recently added to the centre, give the individual athlete that added dimension of one on one competition. This year the use of the be free to students.

The universal gym located in the center of the banked track, allows the participant to begin a variety of weight and fitness programs. Adjacent to the universal gym, is a comprehensive fitness evaluation lab.

In addition to the excellent indoor facilities available at the

Conestoga Centre, it is equally well-equipped outdoors.

The outdoor facilities include a fitness trail, a softball diamond, four lighted tennis courts, as well as cross-country ski trails. Equipment and instruction are also available on request.

Manager of the Conestoga Centre, Robert Neath, is proud of the centre, and rates it as superior to that of the sports facilities in other colleges in On-

tario.

Athletics Officer, Duane Shadd, feels that the Conestoga Centre is a great benefit to athletics at the college.

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Students have both fun and exercise with an earth ball.

Kew's Korner

By Peggi Kew

Spirit Week is full of fun activities designed to welcome new students and to say hello again to the old. One day during the week, specifically for new students, is to help them get acquainted and meet new people from other programs.

I remember Spirit Week last year. As soon as they told us to wear old clothes I knew something was up. I had visions of "Nipper Day" at high school where the seniors got to "torture" new students.

We all thought that they would herd us down to the athletic centre, getting all the new students in one place and then spray all of us with whipping cream or shaving cream. Boy, were we wrong! Getting sprayed with shaving cream would have, almost, been more preferable to what we went through.

We were right about one thing. They did herd us down to the athletic centre. There we were put into groups to play "games". What fun! The "game" that I remember most was one where someone called out the name of a piece of clothing or something that someone might be wearing. Then you had to find someone in your group wearing that article and touch that person. Well, we thought you had to touch the article the person was wearing. Anyway the person yells out to touch someone who was wearing

pants with a zipper. Here you had the fifteen people of the group that I was in standing there thinking we had to touch someone's zipper. A great way to meet people right? Then you had to touch someone who was wearing a shirt with buttons. There was only one girl in our group with a shirt like that, and she nearly lost it with everyone grabbing to touch it. Like I said, a great way to meet people.

The best was yet to come. We were then taken outside to play more games. Oh boy, just what I needed. There are three that I will remember for the rest of my life.

We were taken to the pond behind the school where there were two barrels. Not just ordinary barrels, these had holes in them. The object of the game was to get the most water in your barrel in the allotted time. Not being stupid people, we pointed out that the barrels had holes in them. It turns out that this is the "catch" to the game. While two people carried the water, the rest of the team had to cover the holes with their hands. Well, what could be more fun? And this provided a number of opportunities to get acquainted with the others. For example, "Hi, my name's Peggi. Could you get this bloodsucker off of my hand please?" Word gets around that you have a blood-sucker on your hand and everyone wants to see it. No one wants to get it off mind you, but everyone wants to see it.

The next game was just as good. Soaking wet, we dragged ourselves on a hike back into the middle of the woods. There are two guys there who tell us that this is the prison game. There is

a rope tied around four trees. The rope is about six feet high. The object of this game was to get out of the prison without touching the rope. As I've already told you, we were not stupid people. We walked under the rope. But once again there was one of those little catches. I would love to know who thought up these little games. Getting the girls out was no problem. We were picked up and "handed" over the rope to two guys who had gotten out first. It felt more like being thrown over the rope to the other side, but who wants to get picky when you're trying to get out of prison. For the last two guys to get out they had to climb up a log and jump over. The last guy fell and nearly lost his front teeth.

By the time we got to the third game a few of us had decided that a college education was not worth going through this.

The third game was a large ball, and I'm talking large here, which you had to hit back and forth using different parts of the body. I'll tell you, the only person bigger than the ball was this guy from the Criminology program who was about six feet two inches tall. Getting bowled over by that huge ball was really not my idea of fun.

Oh yes, fond memories of my first days at Conestoga. These games, however, did serve their purpose to a certain point. We did meet people. Walking down the hall day later you would see someone you remembered. "Hey, there's the guy that fell on his face." What a way to be remembered.

Despite the bumps, bruises and bloodsuckers, it certainly was an experience to remember.



A lifting experience for this student as he attempts a daring escape from the prison camp.



Confusion rules as these students attempt to fill up barrels with water.

Help Wanted - Athletic Department

Referees individuals are required to officiate the following intramural activities; no contact hockey, men's/women's touch football, co-ed broomball, men's/women's basketball

Photographer to take pictures when needed throughout the year, intramural/varsity action shots, team pictures, tournaments, banquet, etc.

Manager varsity hockey and basketball
Scores/Timers for tournaments and varsity games

Part Time Maintenance general clean up of Conestoga Centre, during major events

A number of job opportunities will become available through the Athletic Department. All interested students should contact either Dan Young or Duane Shadd at the Conestoga Centre or phone 652-2511 ext 382 for more information.

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment non-stop at COE

By Debbie Duppel

The Central Ontario Exhibition (COE) entertained area fairgoers from Monday, August 31 - Monday September 7 this year at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium.

The exhibition looked much the same as ever, including traditional attractions such as ferris wheels, roller coasters, and merry-go-rounds, surrounded by clowns, magicians, and candied-apple vendors.

Visitors could ride on the midway, enter many contests in the commercial building, tackle games, and browse over displays - or visit the ever-popular Conestoga Wagon Bavarian Tent, which has no direct connection with the college, but in which numerous Doon students have been reportedly found sampling drafts.

Kitchener high school student Heather Wunder said the COE was "the same as last year, loud and crowded."

She also added that although she felt the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) in Toronto was much better by comparison, the COE was nonetheless still a good place to visit for a good time.

The exhibition had several new attractions this time - a youth talent show, paratroop-

ers, and a roller coaster.

When asked about the COE attendance forecast, Don Sanderson, promotions co-ordinator commented, "Advance sales for things like the one-price tickets went very well, so I expect there will be no problems."

The one-price ticket is also a new feature, and \$7.95 includes admission to all rides. A grounds ticket, which buys entrance to the COE, costs \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for senior citizens and people under 13.

This year the group, The Association will appear, as well as well-known recording artists Porter Wagoner and Tommy Hunter.

"We found that teen groups were not a draw to the COE," Sanderson said, and explained that if the exhibition hired a really popular teen group, an additional ticket would have to be sold.

The COE provides non-stop free entertainment, including a circus, gospel show, petting zoo, livestock exhibit, and a mutt show, where participants receive prizes for "everything from the longest ears to the shortest tails," says Sanderson.

He also added that if the 36-year-old fair does well this year it may be open in 1983 for ten days instead of being a week-long affair.



Clowning around at the Central Ontario Exhibition.

Book Review

King shocks in Cujo

A boy and his dog; idyllic, almost mundane subject matter for the pen of any author, unless he's Stephen King. King transforms the ordinary into a very plausible, and macabre, modern day thriller.

The story is set in back-country Maine. Cujo is the Camber family canine - a two-hundred-pound Saint Bernard. The tale switches between two main plots i.e. dissention in the Camber family and an extramarital relationship and its repercussions in the Trenton family.

A generous sprinkling of secondary characters, of which, Gary Pervier - highly decorated WW II veteran turned resident alcoholic is an example, provide additional color to an already vivid story.

Cujo's innocent rabbit chase has a grievous outcome for the overgrown pooch. The cave where he traps the cottontail is infested with rabid bats. Nature follows its course and Cujo becomes a very sick dog.

The lives of the Trentons and Cambers become entwined and end up revolving around Cujo or the monster that was Cujo.

Once again, King has altered the everyday world and produced a page turner that the reader will find hard to put down.

Pirate movie walks plank

Many movie-goers 'walked the plank' this summer when they went to see "The Pirate Movie", starring Kristy McNichol and Christopher Atkins.

Attracted to the film by McNichol's good acting reputation and Atkins' blond good looks, most of the audience found themselves swash-buckled out of \$4.75 when they watched what seemed to be a children's movie about teenagers.

McNichol, 19, stars as Mabel, a mousey modern teenager lacking in social skills.

McNichol says she was attracted to the part because she got to play "a different kind of girl" from her earlier films.

Mabel falls for Atkins, who performs fancy fencing feats aboard an old pirate ship for tourists visiting the harbour where they both live. When Atkins gives Mabel's friends a ride in his boat, she pursues them. When her boat capsizes,

Mabel is washed ashore on a deserted island.

Lying stunned in the sand, Mabel's dream takes her back to days when bands of brigands sailed under the banner of the Jolly Roger. Mabel is transformed into a vivacious Victorian-era young lady, and Atkins becomes Frederic, a dashing apprentice pirate who abandons the life of a buccanneer to defend her home against attack by pirates.

McNichol proves to be an adequate singer. Atkins, however, does not sing as well, and his music is all but drowned out by backup music.

Director Ken Annakin, who has directed such films as "Robin Hood", "Swiss Family Robinson", "The Longest Day", and "Those Magnificent Men and Their Flying Machines", does not appear to have had the same success with "The Pirate Movie".



Pirate apprentice Christopher Atkins duels the King.

Clash record combats rock

By Wayne Snider

When the Clash released their first self-titled album in 1977 many rock fans thought that they were just another band emerging from the punk explosion. They have proved their critics wrong. They are not just another punk group. The Clash are a political band and have a message for society. The message is that society has been screwed up by the generations before ours and it is up to us to correct the problems.

Although the band has announced that they will be looking to make more money for themselves from now on (they gave a lot of their profits away) the tone of the band has fortunately not changed.

Combat Rock plays like a political essay, with one exception, the Clash makes their message clear unlike our politicians.

The four songs on the album that leave the best impression on what the Clash is all about are Know Your Rights, Go, Straight To Hell, Overpowered By Funk and Innoculated City.

In Know Your Rights, the first track on the album, the boys from Britain list all of your rights. All three of them. Most true of them is the right to free speech, "unless you are dumb enough to actually try it." Accompanied by their trademark of a hard fast beat the message is clear. If you want any of your rights in life, you're going to have to fight for them.

Go Straight To Hell also has a powerful theme. It tells you not to ignore your responsibilities, no matter how badly they effect your personal life. That is the base or main cause of society's

problems, passing the buck. This is clearly illustrated by using the American soldier in Vietnam as an example. How many of these "heroes" went back to America leaving behind children that are their blood sons and daughters. Particularly moving is the passage where the Viet-American boy asks his G.I. daddy when is he going to take him to the U.S., the answer from his loving father is "go straight to hell boy!"

The disco scene is given a round of criticism in Overpowered By Funk. Disco is referred to as assinine, but the

moral values of the kind of people who partake in the pastime are also given a shot.

"Home for the floating people ... Funk Out," shows the attitude that a plastic society has towards people who are in desperate need of help.

It is a real shame that the record was recalled to change the end of Innoculated City. Throughout the song we are presented with the problems in our overcrowded cities, but the ad for "Tidy Bowl" (although the product isn't mentioned it is easy to tell it from the soundtrack) makes a good point.

With everything that happens in our cities the big business advertisers (elited in general) don't really care about the people. All they worry about is their money. And it should all be flushed away.

Clash fans will enjoy this album. Musically they recapture the same magic as their albums Give 'Em Enough Rope and London Calling. And even though their attitude towards money has changed, the music hasn't.

Payol\$ hit pay-dirt

Just when you thought Canada's only celebrities were Anne Murray, Gordon Lightfoot and Burton Cummings, along came the Payola\$ with the Eyes of a Stranger.

The album called No Stranger to Danger, is a perfect mix of rock and roll and new wave music, making it suitable to nearly everyone. It even has a reggae sound in certain songs like Rose.

The Payola\$ are from Vancouver and this is their second album, but their first to be a hit. The band consists of Paul Hyde, lead singer and guitars, Bob Rock, guitar and backing vocals, Lawrence Wilkins, bass, and Christopher Taylor on drums. Mick Ronson also contributed to the album with keyboards and vocals. Ronson produced the album but is better known for his work with David Bowie.

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SPORTS

Students urged to get in spirit

By Rod Hiltz

Like the beer without the drinker, like the pizza without the pepperoni's, school spirit is vital to the function of a college. Realistically, who would want to attend a college where the student body totally ignored school spirit? No one, and the college would shrivel up and die.

School spirit. No, it's not something you drink. It doesn't intoxicate you by the over-indulgence of alcohol, but it does intoxicate you through the terrific social involvement you gain by being in the school spirit.

There is no excuse for lack of school spirit. Here at Conestoga, we have one of the finest sports facilities in Ontario. We are blessed with an attractive campus location, and a college with an excellent graduate placement record. On Thursday nights we have the El Condor pubs, which generate social involvement among Conestoga students. In order to have a school year filled with school spirit, the student body must involve itself in college events such as varsity and intramural sports. Through school spirit we can raise the roof, leaving no doubt in anyone's mind that Conestoga College is indeed the number one institute to receive an education.

Do you have a keen interest in sports? Do you like to keep physically fit? Or are you overweight and feel it's time to do something about it? If you answered yes or maybe to any of these questions, the Conestoga varsity and intramural programs should interest you.

Varsity sports tryouts began September 1, with men's soccer kicking off another season of competitive action. On September 7, cross-country, tennis, and hockey begin practising for their upcoming seasons.

For those who take sports a little less seriously, the intramural program is geared toward you. Another excellent intramural schedule has been set-up and sign-ups began August 30 and close September 9 for entries in co-ed 3 pitch softball, men's fastball and touch football. The intramural program will be running throughout the school year and Spoke will keep you posted as to sign-up dates and scheduled events. Get involved today, college and sports go hand in hand, and are an important part of achieving total school spirit.

Since the induction of beer in the ballpark, Toronto fans have witnessed a complete turn around in the performance of the Argonauts, Blue Jays and Blizzard. From a fans viewpoint it is just the brew in the stands creating the illusion! Oddly enough no, Toronto teams are actually performing admirably. Will the beer novelty wear off? I'm afraid so, and with it the winning streaks of the Blizzard, Blue Jays and Argonauts. Oh well, I guess watching the Jays, Argos and Blizzard lose, while you have a beer isn't the end of the world. You can't have your cake and eat it too.

Condors record hard to top

By Anne Narejko

Conestoga Condors. No they're not the huge vulture that is nearly extinct, they're flourishing, but they are hungry. Hungry for success.

Conestoga College has a number of varsity sports and last year was one of their better years.

The varsity basketball team, Conestoga Condors, made it into the playoffs for the first time in their history. They had a winning season but lost in the quarter finals to Seneca College, who went on to become the overall champions.

The team is expecting many of last year's players to return. Those returning will find Bob Scott as their new coach. Scott was the assistant coach last season.

Both the men and women's volleyball teams did extremely well. Coached by Al Robertson, the men won their western division and finished second in Ontario.

The women volleyed their way into fourth place in the Western division and will have a new coach in Anna Golobic this season.

The Conestoga Condors also had a winning season on the ice. They soared into third place in their division but lost the first round of the playoffs, leaving them in sixth place. Dan Young will be their returning coach.

Conestoga's soccer team wound up their season in third place in the Western division, missing the playoffs by losing a crucial game 1 to 0 against Seneca.

Geoff Johnstone will be coaching the soccer enthusiasts this year.

The 1981-82 season was the first year for cross-country running at Conestoga. The team finished third overall, with the men's top runner placing seventh and a lady runner in the top ten.

Fred Nobes will be the cross-country coach this year.

The Condors tennis team rallied into fourth place in the Western division while the badminton team finished in second place and then went on to the Ontario College Athletic Association (OCAA) Meet, where they finished fourth.

Bob Pritchard will be coach-

ing the tennis team and Wanda Bach will try her hand at coaching the badminton team.

The four man golf team putted their way into fifth place overall last season. Jack Hutcheson will try to improve their standing this season.

Varsity touch football will be replaced with extramural touch football, even though last year's team lost a very close semi-final game 1 to 0 against Mohawk College, who then went on to win the finals. (Extramural means that the team will not play the regular

college circuit, but will play within the city and at tournaments.)

All of the Condor teams did well last year, but with a little more motivation, they could do better.

Even if you trip over your own feet when you run, and you couldn't sink a basketball if your life depended upon it, you can still cheer as loud as the next person. So come on out and support your favorite college team.

Let's make the 1982-83 season one of the best!



Last year's Condors in action.

Varsity Tryouts

SOCCER Tryouts begin Wed. Sept. 1, 4:00 p.m. on the soccer field at east end of Doon campus. Contact Dan Young or Duane Shadd at the Conestoga Centre.

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING Organization meeting Wed. Sept. 2 in the upper lounge Conestoga Centre.

HOCKEY Tryouts begin Tues. Sept. 7, 5:00 p.m. on the ice in the Conestoga Centre, bring own equipment. Organization meeting Thurs. Sept. 1, 4:00 p.m. in the Conestoga Centre gym.

MEN'S BASKETBALL Tryouts begin Tues. Sept. 7, 6:00 p.m. in the gym of the Conestoga Centre.

TENNIS Tryouts begin Wed. Sept. 8, Conestoga Centre tennis courts at 4:30 p.m.

GOLF Tryouts begin Thurs. Sept. 9 orientation golf tournament at Doon Valley Golf and Country Club, 12:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL Tryouts begin Tues. Sept. 21, 6:00 p.m. in the gym of the Centre.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL Tryouts begin Tues. Sept. 21, 6:00 p.m. in the gym of the Conestoga Centre.

For more information about Varsity Tryouts contact Dan Young at the Conestoga Centre.

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